## Reading Shade Tree Commission Meeting December 5, 2011

Present: K Zeiber, D Ruyak, D Moodhart, K Christman, J Slifko, R Reimer

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM.

K Zeiber issued permits for 10 tree removals last month.

RSTC meetings for 2012 will be as follows: 1/9, 2/6, 3/5, 4/2, 5/7, 6/4, 7/2, 8/6, 9/10, 10/1, 11/5, 12/3.

The RSTC budget for 2012 has been approved by City Council.

A total of 37 hazardous trees have been removed by Arbor Care, stump grinding will take place promptly. Bills will be sent to property owners when the invoice from Arbor Care is received. Properties that received notices in October will be inspected for compliance and letters will be sent in January giving those not in compliance an additional 30 days before the removal bid process begins.

A Facebook page has been created with pictures of the Albright students from the fall tree planting project in which they participated. Future opportunities for volunteers will be posted.

A request has been received to plant trees on the East side of North 6th St between Spring and Perry or even Pike. Since Yeager Supply owns the property, Mr. Yeager will have to give his consent for this to happen.

D Ruyak has become a Certified Tree Risk Assessor which will give him the legal right to determine the health and associated risk as it pertains to trees. This will give our Hazard Tree assessments more legal weight.

Meeting Adjourned.

R Reimer, vice/chair